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1. An estimated 400 men were stationed at the KOETHEN (M 52/D 95) airfield. The fighter unit previously stationed there was allegedly transferred to DESSAU (M 52/E 17).

2. Maintenance work was being done on a radar set in the kaserne yard.

Description: Mobile, mounted on rubber-tired wheels; in the center there was a superstructure with a door, on top of the superstructure two parallel antenna frames, about 24 inches apart; on one end of the trailer there was a superstructure for three men to stand upright and on the other end a superstructure for the generator and instruments.

3. Another set, presumably also a radar set, was in a hangar.

Description: A globular body of metal bands, about 5 feet in diameter, on a two-wheeled limber-like undercarriage. The globe could be opened and, judging from its construction, could be hoisted on a mast.

Comment:

a. The information that the KOETHEN fighter regiment was transferred to DESSAU was confirmed

An air reconnaissance regiment and a ground attack regiment are assumed to now be stationed in KOETHEN.

b. From the description of the two radar sets their utilization and capacity cannot be inferred. The presence of the sets has not been confirmed.

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